

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 33-92 are all the claims pending in the application. By this Amendment, Applicant amends claims 1, 58, and 91.

The amended claims clarify that “if the data is the alphanumeric data, the switch provides the alphanumeric data to the speech synthesizer and, if the data is the audio data, the switch provides the audio data to the audio amplifier.” Among the cited references, at best the switching in De Bey (WO 99/03112) at p. 9, ll. 10-11 and p. 19, ll. 32-33, cited in the Advisory Action, is only a switching according to whether the input signal is a digital signal or an analog signal, and fails to disclose or suggest the switching recited in the claims.

Accordingly, claims 1 and 33-92 are patentable for at least these reasons.

Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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